

## STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Wednesday, September 18, 2013, is the 90<sup>th</sup> birthday of Albert H. "Al" Quie, Governor of

the State of Minnesota from 1979 to 1983; and

WHEREAS: Al Quie served his state and nation with distinction in public service, and is respected as

a man of honor, integrity, and humility; and

WHEREAS: Al Quie is a man of faith, who has used his political and personal power in the interests

of the powerless, especially children at risk, and those involved in the court and prison

systems, including prisoners, their families, and victims; and

WHEREAS: Al Quie, as a lover of justice, has sought to ensure that all can obtain justice through his

legislative work, his volunteer work, and by his personal example; and

WHEREAS: Al Quie served honorably in the United States House of Representatives from 1958 to

1979, serving as ranking minority member of the House Education and Labor Committee, setting the foundations of nearly all education legislation during that time, as well as

impacting agriculture, anti-poverty, and labor issues; and

WHEREAS: Al Quie was a key advocate of the bipartisan National Prayer Breakfast, an outgrowth of

his lifelong commitment to Congressional prayer groups; and

WHEREAS: Al Quie was considered for appointment as Vice President of the United States by

President Gerald R. Ford in 1974, due to his personal integrity; and

WHEREAS: Al Quie served as Governor of Minnesota during difficult economic times, in which he

put the people of Minnesota above his political fortunes in dealing with an extreme

budget crisis; and

WHEREAS: Al Quie, together with Gretchen Quie, an outstanding First Lady and artist known for

her hospitality, brought into the world five faithful children: Fredric, Jennifer, Daniel,

Joel, and Ben; and

WHEREAS: Al Quie continues to make a positive impact on individuals and organizations in

Minnesota, working to change lives while continuing to be a caring husband to

Gretchen; and

WHEREAS: Today, we celebrate Al Quie's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday and thank him for his friendship and service

to the people and State of Minnesota.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Sunday, September 22, 2013, as:

## ALBERT H. QUIE DAY

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 20<sup>th</sup> day of September.

GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE